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1. APPRECIATE YOUR PROMPT RESPONSE AND COOPERATION.

2. FOR YOUR BACKGROUND IN INTERVIEWING JAN CHIRSTER WIKSTEN
FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY OF BISSELL CASE. JANE BISSELL, AGE 35,
FIVE FEET, 100 POUNDS, WITH LONG DARK HAIR, ARRIVED ALONE IN
BANOS OCTOBER 2. HER TRAVELING COMPANION, AND AUSTRALIAN NAMED
GERALDINE CROUCH, REMAINED IN QUITO INTENDING TO REJOIN BISSELL
IN A FEW DAYS. BISSELL CHECKED INTO PENSION CHAMAQUITA AND WAS
GIVEN ROOM IN HOUSE OWNER WAS BUILDING NEARBY BY BECAUSE PENSION
FILLED. WIKSTEN, WHO HAD STAYED IN PENSION CHAMAQUITA PREVIOUS
NIGHT, RETURNED TO BANOS FROM TENA NIGHT OF 2ND AND WAS GIVEN
ROOM ADJOINING THAT OF BISSELL. ROOMS WERE IN LINE SO THAT IT
NECESSARY TO PASS THROUGH WIKSTEN ROOM TO ENTER OR LEAVE THAT
OCCUPIED BY BISSELL. THE NEXT MORNING ABOUT NINE WIKSTEN CHECKED
OUT AT PENSION RETURNING MATTRESS HE HAD BORROWED (ROOMS WERE
UNFURNISHED). POLICE UNABLE TO LOCATE ANYONE WHO SAW BISSELL
AFTER SHE ARRIVED AT PENSION THE PREVIOUS DAY. HE BACKPACK
AND OTHER EFFECTS WERE FOUND IN THE INNER ROOM, BUT NO TRACE
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OF HER. HENCE IMPORTANCE OF WIKSTEN STATEMENT.

3. PLEASE OBTAIN DETAILED STATMENT FROM WIKSTEN COVERING
HIS ARRIVAL IN BANOS OCTOBER 1, THROUGH DEPARTURE
FROM ECUADOR WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON
CONTACTS WITH BISSELL. STATEMENT TO INCLUDE,

BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANSWERS TO FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

A. DID HE KNOW BISSELL PRIOR TO ENCOUNTER IN BANOS?

B. WHENCE DID HE TRAVEL TO BANOS ON FIRST?

C. DID BISSELL INDICATE WHY SHE HAD COME TO BANOS? FYI:
BISSELL AND CROUCH HAD MADE A TRIP WHICH HAD CARRIED THEM PAST
BANOS BY BUS ONLY A FEW DAYS BEFORE AND THEY DID NOT STOP OFF
THEN. WE WONDER WHEY THEY WERE MAKING SPECIAL TRIP TO BANOS
WHEN THEY COULD HAVE VISITED PLACE SHORTLY BEFORE BY SIMPLY
INTERRUPTING TRIP.

D. DID BISSEL GIVE ANY INDICATION OF HER PLANS FOR SUNDAY
OCTOBER 3, AND REST OF STAY IN BANOS? DID SHE MENTION NAMES OF
ANY FRIENDS IN BANOS AREA?

E. WHEN HE LEFT HOUSE FOR PENSION SUNDAY MORNING, WAS BISSELL
STILL IN HOUSE OR HAD SHE GONE OUT EARLIER? WHERE HAD SHE GONE?

F. DID WIKSTEN AND BISSELL EACH HAVE KEY FOR DOOR LEADING TO
STREET? WHAT DID WIKSTEN DOD WITH THE KEY, OR HIS KEY, IF EACH
HAD ONE? FY8: PENSION OWNER SAYS THERE WAS ONLY ONE KEY,
GIVEN TO BISSELL PREVIOUS DAY, WHICH HE FOUND IN LOCK IN OUTER DOOR
SOMETIME AFTER WIKSTEN CHECKED OUT.

G. DID BISSELL GIVE WIKSTEN A MESSAGE TO DELIVER TO CROUCH
IN QUITO? DID HE DO SO? WHEN?

H. DID WIKSTEN FORM ANY IMPRESSION OF BISSELL'S MOOD?
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DID SHE APPEAR DEPRESSED?

4. THERE ARE TWO POSSIBILITIES: ONE IS THAT WIKSTEN HAD NOTHING
TO DO WITH BISSELL'S DISAPPEARANCE BUT MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE
USEFUL INFORMATION; THE OTHER IS THAT HE WAS DIRECTLY
INVOLVED IN THAT DISAPPEARANCE. YOUR HANDLING OF INTERVIEW
WILL HAVE TO SATISFY THOSE AMONG THE INTERESTED PARTIES IN
WASHINGTON WHO LEAN TOWARD THE SEX AND VIOLENCE DRAMA
EXPLANATION OF EVENTS WITH WIKSTEN PLAYING LEAD.

5. THERE IS WHITE HOUSE, CONGRESSIONAL AND PRESS INTEREST IN
THIS CASE.
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